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SUBJECT: SEC VISIT - DINNER WITH AREILZA

REF: MADRID 0513, JAN. 23

1. THERE FOLLOWS THE SECRETARY'S RESPONSE TO THE TOAST OF
SPANISH FOREIGN MINISTER FREILZA AT HIS DINNER FOR THE SECRE-
TARY JANUARY 24. WE ARE REPEATING FOR YOUR INFORMATION
MADRID 0513 CONTAINING THE TEXT OF AREILZA'S
TOAST. WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR CALLING THE ATTENTION OF
THIS EXCHANGE OF TOASTS TO APPROPRIATE HOST GOVERNMENT
OFFICIALS.

2. FOR LONDON: THE SECRETARY HAS ASKED THAT YOU CALL THESE
TOASTS TO THE ATTENTION OF FOREIGN MINISTER CALLAGHAN.

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TOAST

MR. FOREIGN MINISTER; EXCELLENCIES, AND DISTINGUISHED GUESTS:
THE DELIGHTS OF SPANISH HOSPITALITY AS WELL AS THE NEEDS OF
POLICY DREW ME TO COME TO SPAIN. IT IS A GREAT PERSONAL PLEASURE
TO BE HERE.

THE TREATY WE HAVE NEGOTIATED AND SIGNED TODAY IS, I
BELIEVE, A MILESTONE IN THE RELATIONSHIP OF BOTH OUR COUNTRIES.

THE TENACITY THAT MADE SPAIN GREAT WAS MADE VIVIDLY EVIDENT
TO US, MR. FOREIGN MINISTER, IN THE NEGOTIATION OF THIS TREATY.
YOUR PREDECESSOR, SENOR CORTINA, WAS A TOUGH NEGOTIATOR, AND IS WAS
FITTING AND GRACIOUS OF YOU TO PAY TRIBUTE TO HIM. YOU CARRIED ON
THE NEGOTIATION WITH EQUAL SKILL, AND I MUST ADD, WITH EQUAL
TENACITY AND THE SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME OWES MUCH TO YOUR DEDICATION.

WITH YOUR WARM HOSPITALITY, MR. FOREIGN MINISTER, HAVE COME
WARM WORDS OF WELCOME, SPOKEN WITH A CLARITY AND GRACE RARE IN
OUR DAYS, I GREATLY APPRECIATE THESE WORDS. I KNOW THEY REPRESENT
THE SINCERE ASPIRATIONS OF BOTH COUNTRIES TO DEEPEN AND STRENGTHEN
A RELATIONSHIP THAT IS ROOTED BOTH IN MUTUAL NATIONAL INTEREST
AND IN THE HUMAN TIES TO WHICH MY OWN NATION, CELEBRATING ITS
BICENTENNIAL, OWES SO MUCH OF ITS HERITAGE.

I MUST SAY TO OUR SPANISH FRIENDS THAT YOUR FOREIGN MINISTER IS
A REMARKABLE ASSET. HE EXPLAINS SPAIN'S ASPIRATIONS AND FOREIGN
POLICY WITH EQUAL ELOQUENCE IN FRENCH, GERMAN AND ENGLISH. OUR
COLLEAGUES TELL ME SOMETHING EVEN MORE NOTABLE ABOUT YOUR FOREIGN
MINISTER. NO MATTER WHAT LANGUAGE HE IS SPEAKING, HIS FOREIGN POLICY
IS THE SAME. THIS IS TRULY REMARKABLE. THE FOREIGN MINISTER

HAS BEFORE HIM A GREAT TASK; HE HAS SET OUT TO LEVEL THE
PYRENNES. IN DEMOLISHING THE MYTH THAT EUROPE BEGINS AT THE
PYRENNES, MAKING THEM SOSIMPLE, THOUGH MAGNIFICENT, MOUNTAIN
RANGE, THE SPANISH WILL HAVE DONE THE REST OF EUROPE, AS WELL AS
SPAIN, A SIGNAL SERVICE.

HIS MAJESTY, KING JUAN CARLOS I, IN HIS INAUGURAL MESSAGE FROM
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THE THRONE, MADE CLEAR THE PHILOSOPHICAL NECESSITY OF THIS EFFORT.
IT IS TRUE, AS HE SAID, THAT THE IDEA OF EUROPE WOULD BE INCOMPLETE
WITHOUT SPAIN, THAT THE SPANISH ARE EUROPEANS AND THAT THE SPANISH
AND THE OTHER EUROPEANS SHOULD DRAW THE NECESSARY CONCLUSIONS FROM
THIS FACT. MY GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZES THIS AND SUPPORTS SPAIN'S
EFFORTS TO MAKE IT A REALITY. FOR INDEED THE SPANISH SHARE WITH
THE REST OF WESTERN CIVILIZATION THE COMMON HERITAGE OF RESPECT
FOR HUMAN DIGNITY.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN ONCE SAID: "...GOD GRANT THAT NOT ONLY THE LOVE OF LIBERTY, BUT A THOROUGH KNOWLEDGE OF THE RIGHTS OF MEN, MAY PERVADE ALL NATIONS OF THE EARTH, SO THAT A PHILOSOPHER MAY SET HIS FOOT ANYWHERE ON ITS SURFACE AND SAY 'THIS IS MY COUNTRY'."

THEREFORE, THE UNITED STATES SUPPORTS SPAIN'S PROGRESS, OUT OF THE SIMPLE UNDERSTANDING THAT WE ARE ALL PART OF A WIDER ATLANTIC COMMUNITY, ONE BASED ON A COMMUNITY OF INTERESTS AND SHARED IDEALS THAT MUST BE PRESERVED AND PROTECTED, LEST THE CHAOS THAT IS ABROAD IN THE WORLD ENGULF OUR OWN SOCIETIES.

THE DIVERSITY OF WESTERN CULTURE -- AND THE SPANISH HERITAGE IS ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL FOUNTS OF CULTURE IN THE WESTERN WORLD -- ENRICHES OUR LIVES. BUT HISTORICAL TRUTHS AND PRESENT CHALLENGES REQUIRE US TO ENHANCE THE COMMONALITY OF OUR ASPIRATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS. IN SO DOING WE PRESERVE FOR THOSE WHO COME AFTER US THE VALUES AND THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF WESTERN CIVILIZATION, UNDER WHICH OUR SINGULAR NATIONAL IDENTITIES CAN FLOURISH.

MR. FOREIGN MINISTER, I CONGRATULATE YOU ON THE CLARITY AND CONSISTENCY OF THE VISION OF SPAIN'S INTERESTS WHICH YOU HAVE SET FORTH IN PUBLIC AND IN PRIVATE. IT TAKES A GREAT EFFORT OF WILL AND COMPASSION TO "BIND UP THE WOUNDS", IN ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S PHRASE, AND IN TIME REUNITE A PEOPLE IN PROSPERITY AND POLITICAL CONSENSUS SO THAT THEY MAY PURSUE IN TRANQUILITY THEIR PRIVATE AND PUBLIC INTERESTS.

THAT SPIRIT, LOOKING TOWARD "AN EFFECTIVE CONSENSUS OF NATIONAL CONCORD", IN THE WORDS OF HIS MAJESTY, IS MUCH IN EVIDENCE, AND IT HAS CALLED FORTH HOPE AND PRAISE IN THE OTHER NATIONS OF EUROPE AS WELL AS IN MY OWN COUNTRY. WHAT SPAIN DOES IS UP TO SPAIN. OTHERS SHOULD NOT INTERFERE. THE UNITES STATES -- AND I SPEAK FOR PRESIDENT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FORD, THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT AND THE AMERICAN PEOPLE -- SUPPORTS YOUR KING, HIS GOVERNMENT AND HIS PEOPLE IN THE ENDEAVOR TO LEAD SPAIN ON A PATH OF POLITICAL AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT, WITH NEW TIES TO THE REST OF EUROPE AND THE ATLANTIC COMMUNITY THAT GIVE FULL SWEEP TO THE TALENTS AND THE ASPIRATIONS OF THE SPANISH PEOPLE.

I KNOW THESE TASKS WILL NOT BE EASY. WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT YOU WILL HAVE THE WISDOM -- AND WILL BE GIVEN THE UNDERSTANDING -- TO FIND A SPANISH ROAD TO FULL INTEGRATION WITH EUROPE AND THE ATLANTIC COMMUNITY FOR THE BENEFIT OF SPAIN AND THE WESTERN WORLD.

IN THIS CONTEXT, THE WORK THAT WE ARE COMPLETING THIS WEEKEND TAKES ON A WIDER MEANING. IT FORTIFIES AND ENRICHES A BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP THAT TAKES ON ITS GREATEST IMPORTANCE AS A MAJOR LINKAGE AMONG TWO NATIONS OF THE ATLANTIC COMMUNITY. I THINK THAT IT WILL

BE QUITE OBVIOUS TO ALL THAT THROUGH THIS TREATY THE INTEREST OF SPAIN HAVE BEEN ENHANCED IN THE FORGOING OF A BALANCED RELATIONSHIP OF BENEFIT TO BOTH NATIONS. THIS TREATY IS AN EARNEST OF MY COUNTRY'S SUPPORT FOR THE PATH UPON WHICH SPAIN HAS EMBARKED.

THEREFORE, MR. FOREIGN MINISTER, I AM EXTREMELY GRATEFUL TO YOU THIS EVENING. I WOULD LIKE NOW TO PROPOSE A TOAST TO HIS MAJESTY, KING JUAN CARLOS I, TO THE SUCCESS OF THE COURSE THAT HE SET FORTH SO ELOQUENTLY AND TO THE CLOSE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN OUR PEOPLES.
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